

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of Species II claims 12-23 in the reply filed on 12-19-05 is acknowledged.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below.
Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mark P. Bourgeois on 2-24-06.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 18 line 5 before the word "exposed" insert --directly--.

In claim 18 line 8 delete the letter "d)" and insert the letter --e)--.

Please cancel claims 1-11 and 24-³⁶~~35~~. PAB
5/12/06

Conclusion